

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Amendment filed on January 10, 2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 3-8, 11-16, 19-26, 29, 30, 33 and 34.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 30 August 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.
THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date 20050124.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT and REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

2. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Attorney Anthony England on January 24, 2005.

3. The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 12 was amended as follows:

12. A computer program product for electronic messaging management comprising:

first instructions for displaying a message interface for composing and sending an electronic message;

second instructions for receiving a first portion of the message in the message interface;

third instructions for receiving, in the message interface, a first set of one or more recipients for the first portion;

fourth instructions for receiving a second portion of the message in the message interface, wherein the message interface for composing and sending the electronic message has only a single send button for receiving a send command;

fifth instructions for receiving, in the message interface, a second set of one or more recipients for the second portion; and

sixth instructions for sending the message, wherein both the first and second portions are sent to the respective recipients responsive to receiving a single send command via the send button and wherein the message portions are sent without receiving an individual send command for the first message portion and without receiving an individual send command for the second message portion;

~~wherein the first instructions comprise:~~
~~instructions for displaying a first data entry area for the message; and~~
~~instructions for displaying a second data entry area in the same message interface for~~
~~receiving the second set of one or more recipients;~~

wherein the first instructions comprise:
instructions for displaying a first data entry area for the message; and
instructions for displaying a second data entry area in the same message interface for
receiving the second set of one or more recipients; and

wherein the first and second message portions are both received in the first data entry
area, the computer program product comprising:

instructions for receiving a selection of the second message portion in the first data entry
area.

Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 3-8, 11-16, 19-26, 29-30 and 33-34 are allowed.
5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The prior art of record fails to anticipate or make obvious the claimed invention. Specifically, as per claims 4, 12, 20, 25, 29, and 33 the prior art fails to teach wholly, or in combination, the following elements:

wherein the first and second message portions are both received in a single data entry area.

Although Outlook teaches sending multiple message portions thru a single send command, Outlook does not teach these message portions to be composed in a single data entry area.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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Communications

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sajeda Muhebbullah whose telephone number is (571) 272-4065. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday/Thursday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm (EST) and on alternate Mondays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kristine Kincaid, can be reached on (571) 272-4063.

The fax number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are as follows:

(703) 746-7238 [After Final Communication]

(703) 872-9306 [Official Communication]

(703) 746-9915 [For status inquiries, Draft Communication]

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-3900.

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